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(*From the Census of 1870.*)

Population of the United States.

STATES.	TOTAL POPULA'N.	NATIVE BORN.	FOREIGN BORN.
Alabama.	996,992	987,030	9,962
Arkansas.	484,471	479 445	5,026
California.	560,247	350,416	209,831
Connecticut.	537,454	423,815	113,639
Delaware.	125.015	115,879	9,136
Florida.	187,748	182,781	4,967
Georgia.	1,184 109	1,172,982	11,127
Illinois.	2,539,891	2,024,693	515,198
Indiana.	1,680,637	1,539,163	141,474
Iowa.	1,191,792	987,735	204,057
Kansas.	364,399	316,007	48,392
Kentucky.	1,321,011	1,257,613	63,398
Louisiana.	726,915	665,088	61,827
Maine.	626,915	578,034	48,881
Maryland.	780,894	697,482	83,412
Massachusetts.	1,457,351	1,104,032	353,319
Michigan.	1,184,059	916,049	268,010
Minnesota.	439,706	279,009	160,697
Mississippi.	827,922	816,731	11,191
Missouri.	1,721,295	1,499,028	222,267
Nebraska.	122,993	92,245	30,748
Nevada.	42,491	23,690	18,801
New Hampshire,	318,300	288,689	29,611
New Jersey.	906,096	717,153	188,943
New York.	4,382,759	3,244,406	1,138,353
North Carolina.	1,071,361	1,068,332	3,029
Ohio.	2,665,260	2,292,767	372,493
Oregon.	90,923	79,323	11,600
Pennsylvania.	3,521,791	2,976,530	545,261
Rhode Island.	217,353	161,957	55,396
South Carolina.	705,606	697,532	8,074
Tennessee.	1,258,520	1,239,204	19,316
Texas.	818,579	756,168	62,411
Vermont.	330,551	283,396	47,155
Virginia.	1,225,163	1,211,409	13,754
West Virginia.	442,014	424,923	17,091
Wisconsin.	1,054,670	690,171	364,499
TERRITORIES.			
Arizona.	9,658	3,849	5,809
Colorado.	39,864	33,265	6,599
Dakota.	14,181	9,366	4,815
Dist. of Columbia.	131.700	115,446	16,254
Idaho.	14,999	7,114	7,885
Montana.	20,595	12,616	7,979
New Mexico.	91,874	86,254	5,620
Utah.	86,786	56,084	30,702
Washington.	23,955	18,931	5,024
Wyoming.	9,118	5,605	3,513
Total in the U. S.	38,555,983	32,989,437	5,566,546

Population of the Principal Cities.

CITIES.	POPULATION.
New York, N. Y.	942,292
Philadelphia, Pa.	674,022
Brooklyn, N. Y.	396,099
St. Louis, Mo.	310,864
Chicago, Ill.	298,977
Baltimore, Md.	267,354
Boston, Mass.	250 526
Cincinnati, Ohio.	216,239
New Orleans, La.	191,418
San Francisco, Cal.	149,473
Buffalo, N. Y.	117,714
Washington, D. C.	109,199
Newark, N. J.	105,059
Louisville, Ky.	100,753
Cleveland, Ohio.	92,829
Pittsburg, Pa.	86,076
Jersey City, N. J.	82,546
Detroit, Mich.	79,577
Milwaukee, Wis.	71,440
Albany, N. Y.	69,422
Providence, R. I.	68,904
Rochester, N. Y.	62,386
Alleghany, Pa.	53,180
Richmond, Va.	51,038
New Haven, Conn.	50,840
Charleston, S. C.	48,956
Indianapolis, Ind.	48,244
Troy, N. Y.	46,465
Syracuse, N. Y.	43 051
Worcester. Mass.	41,105
Lowell, Mass.	40,928
Memphis, Tenn.	40,226
Cambridge, Mass.	39,634
Hartford, Conn.	37,180
Scranton, Pa.	35,092
Reading, Pa.	33,930
Paterson, N. J.	33,579
Kansas City, Mo.	32,260
Mobile, Ala.	32,034
Toledo, Ohio.	31,584
Portland, Me.	31,413
Columbus, Ohio.	31,274
Wilmington, Del.	30,841
Dayton, Ohio.	30,473
Lawrence, Mass.	28,921
Charlestown, Mass.	28,323
Lynn, Mass.	28,233
Fall River, Mass.	26,766
Springfield, Mass.	26,703
Nashville, Tenn.	25,865

The Blue Laws.

Many of our readers, who have often heard of the Connecticut "blue laws," have probably never had an opportunity of perusing that famous code. The territory now comprised in the State of Connecticut was formerly two colonies—Connecticut and New Haven.

The statutes copied below, from an ancient volume relating to the history of the American colonies, were enacted by the people of the "Dominion of New Haven:"

The governor and magistrates, convened in general assembly, are the supreme power under God, of this independent dominion.

From the determination of the assembly no appeal shall be made.

The governor is amenable to the voice of the people.

The governor shall have a single vote in determining any question, except a casting vote, when the assembly shall be equally divided.

The assembly of the people shall not be dismissed by the governor, but shall dismiss itself.

Conspiracy against their dominion shall be punished with death.

Whosoever says there is a power and jurisdiction above and over this dominion shall suffer death and loss of property.

Whoever attempts to change or overturn this dominion shall suffer death.

The judges shall determine controversies without a jury.

No one shall be a freeman, or give a vote, unless he be converted, and a member in full communion of one of the churches allowed in this dominion.

Each freeman shall swear by the blessed God to bear true allegiance to this dominion, and that Jesus is the only king.

No Quaker or Dissenter from the established worship of this dominion shall be allowed to give a vote for the election of magistrates or any officer.

No food or lodging shall be offered to a Quaker, Adamite or other heretic.

If any person turns Quaker, he shall be banished, and not suffered to return, but on pain of death.

No priest shall abide in the dominion; he shall be banished, and suffer death upon his return.

Priests may be seized by one without a warrant.

No one to cross a river but with an authorized ferryman.

No one shall run on the Sabbath day, or walk in his garden, or elsewhere, except reverently to and from meeting.

No one shall travel, cook victuals, make beds, sweep house, cut hair, or shave on Sabbath day.

No woman shall kiss her children on the Sabbath or fasting day.

The Sabbath shall begin at sunset on Saturday.

To pick an ear of corn growing in a neighbor's garden, shall be deemed theft.

A person accused of trespass in the night, shall be judged guilty, unless he clear himself by his oath.

When it appears that an accused has confederates, and he refuses to discover them, he may be racked.

None shall buy or sell lands without permission of the selectmen.

A drunkard shall have a master appointed by the selectmen, who are to debar him from the liberty of buying and selling.

Whosoever publishes a lie, to the prejudice of his neighbor, shall be set in the stocks, or be whipped ten stripes.

No minister shall keep a school.

Every ratable person who refuses to pay his proportion to support the minister of the town or parish, shall be fined by the court 2l. and 4l. every quarter until he or she pay the rate to the minister.

Men-stealers shall suffer death.

Whosoever wears cloths trimmed with gold, silver, or bone lace above 2s. per yard, shall be presented by the grand jurors; and the selectmen shall tax offender at 300l. estate.

A debtor in prison, swearing he has no estate, shall be let out, and sold to make satisfaction.

Whosoever sets a fire in the woods, and it burns a house, shall suffer death; and persons suspected of this crime shall be imprisoned without benefit of bail.

Whosoever brings cards or dice into this dominion shall pay a fine of five pounds.

No one shall read common prayer books, keep Christmas or set days, eat minced pies, dance, play cards, or play on any instrument of music, except the drum, trumpet and Jewsharp.

No gospel minister shall join people in marriage. The magistrates only shall join them in marriage, as they may do it with less scandal to Christ's church.

When parents refuse their children convenient marriages, the magistrates shall determine the point.

The selectmen, on finding children ignorant, may take them away from their parents, and put them into better hands, at the expense of their parents.

Fornication shall be punished by compelling marriage, or as the court shall think proper.

Adultery shall be punished with death.

A man that strikes his wife shall pay a fine of ten pounds.

A woman that strikes her husband shall be punished as the court directs.

A wife shall be deemed good evidence against her husband.

No man shall court a maid in person or by a letter, without first obtaining consent of her parents; 5 l. penalty for the first offence; 10 l for the second; and for the third imprisonment during the pleasure of the court.

Married persons must live together or be imprisoned.

Every male shall have his hair cut round according to a cap.

The above laws were originally printed on blue paper, on which account they were called the "Blue Laws."

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1859.

THE WHALE FISHERY.

We publish to day a list of two hundred and six names of Nantucket men, who commanded ships from English and French ports, prior to 1812, in the whale fishery. We confess that we were astonished, when we first saw the list, which we now copy for the benefit of our readers. We were not aware that the exodus to California had been paralleled in the olden time. We say paralleled, without exaggeration; for it is true that our list does not give the names of all Nantucket men employed in the foreign whale fishery, during the period stated, but only the names of the masters. There were many persons who occupied subordinate stations on shipboard, and others were employed on shore, in the preparation of the equipments of the vessels, and in the disposition and manufacture of their cargoes. This was true in an especial manner in France.—England had so long been engaged in the fishery, that in her large seaports, and especially in London, everything required for the complete outfit of a whaleship, could be furnished at short notice by English artisans. But it was otherwise in France. In the port of Dunkirk, numbers of Nantucket men were employed from time to time in the construction of boats, the manufacture of lines, harpoons, and other instruments of the business. The same was true of Havre.

The perusal of the published list, may well excite the honest pride of the descendants of those enterprising men who carried on the whale fishery at the close of the last, and commencement of the present century. Nearly all are now gathered to their fathers. After lives of hardship and toil, cheerfully endured for the sake of their families, and to secure a respectable competency, for they hoped not for affluence, they have almost all, long since passed away. A few venerable survivors are stil with us; but soon, they too will be gone; and the memory of their lives will soon likewise perish, unless some Old Mortality shall appear to snatch their annals from oblivion.

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Truly, a history of the whale fishery, distinctly exhibiting the prominent place occupied by our ancestors, and enriched by such personal anecdote and detail as might be fitly introduced, would be a work of rare interest. The antiquity of the whale fishery is notable. It was carried on with vigor in the 12th, 13th and 14th centuries, by the inhabitants of the shores of the Bay of Biscay, in that Bay. Every part of the whale was profitably used; the lean was used for food, the blubber was made to yield its oil, and the value of the elastic palisades which garnished its mouth, was even then, considerable.

After a time, whales disappeared from the Bay of Biscay. Constant and earnest persecution drove them to remote seas, and their pursuit became more expensive and arduous. The Dutch took a high rank among the early whalemen. They were most abundantly successful and prosperous after the year 1642. Previous to that time, the business had been monopolized; but then, it was thrown open to all, and competition had its usual healthful influence. The Dutch adopted the principle of a common interest in the adventure, as the one that alone could secure vigilance and *economy in its management*. Each person concerned, shared the profit or bore a portion of the loss, in proportion to his investment, whether it were of property in ship and outfits, or of personal service. The English government first patronized the whale fishery in 1732. Previous to that time, it had been carried on with indifferent success by private companies. In 1732, a bounty of *20 shillings per ton*, was granted to every ship of more than 200 tons burthen. In 1749, the bounty was raised to 40 shillings. It was reduced to 20 shillings in 1795, and in 1824 it ceased. During this period, about £2,500,000, or $12,500,000 was paid by the British government. So important was this branch of human industry deemed to be by the first maritime power of the age!

Immediately after the close of the revolutionary war, quite a number of our townsfolk moved to Nova Scotia, and engaged in the whale fishery; but they were soon discouraged by the unfavorable discrimination made in regard to colonial enterprise, and the superior inducements held out, led them and others across the ocean, to carry on the business in England. By act of parliament, English merchants were authorized to give the command of their ships engaged in the whale fishery to foreigners, provided that they were men competent from previous training to manage the enterprise, and instruct apprentices; and foreigners employed, were entitled to all the privileges and bounties, and bound by all the obligations of British subjects. This was high distinction; for in no other branch of the commercial marine service, were foreigners permitted to command ships.

France also early perceived that the whale fishery was the best school for the education of thorough seamen, and was not insensible to the value of the more direct and obvious products of the business in a mercantile point of view.

Even the Bourbons were attracted to introduce and encourage the fishery. Louis XVI fitted out six ships on his own account, which were officered by Nantucketers. In 1790, about forty vessels sailed under the French flag in the whale fishery. Of course the wars of the French Revolution put an end to this, as well as every other peaceful business. Many of the ships were captured by the English, a few made their escape to this country. As soon as peace permitted Napoleon to consider the industrial resources of the country, he renewed the encouragement previously offered to parties disposed to carry on whaling from France. They were put on an equality with French citizens, and the bounties offered, were paid at the commencement of the voyage, and did not depend on its successful termination or the return of the vessel.

It was found that upon no other terms, could merchants be induced to take the risk of war, which was more formidable than ordinary perils of the sea. Under the monarchy, the bounties were payable on the return of the ship; and as many ships were captured in these cases, no bounties were paid, so that a total and discouraging loss was experienced. The whale fishery did not prosper under French patronage, and is now of little account.

Not all who left their island home for strange lands, in quest of gain and promotion, were men having families to support. Young men not out of their teens went with their elders. The young men of those days, were of sterner stuff than to stand about, complaining of "Nothing to do." They *sought employment;* they did not wait for a good place to solicit *them.* They were educated, not instructed. They wrought their own fortunes. They achieved greatness; they did not wait for it to be thrust upon them. They did not always gain wealth; they achieved character. They learned men, not books; not that they despised books, which are the records of works, of labors, but they had no time to build on any but a foundation of their own laying. The *same* path is not open to the present generation. Each age has its own work. The wilds of the wild West; the fertile but desert region of South America, crave culture; many a sunny isle of the Pacific is destined to be the home of the white man. The world is wide; there is room and to spare, for all who wish to work. But there must be work, not dalliance in the lap of luxury or ease. Not the same hardships but equal must be met as have been met. Met manfully, they will yield, and appropriate success will reward the persistent wrestler in the contest of life.

It should be observed that the list which we publish below, contains two hundred and six different names of masters. Of these, twenty-four commanded ships under both flags, English and French. Also many of these masters, at different periods, commanded different ships in the same service.

FROM FRENCH PORTS.

MASTERS.	SHIPS.	PORTS.
Clother Allen,	Penelope,	Dunkirk.
Nath'l Barnard,	Boston Packet,	“
Jona. J. Barnard,	Ann,	“
Peter Brock,	Edward,	“
Walter Brock,	Lydia,	“
Jona. C. Briggs,	Harmony,	“
Elisha Bunker,	Ville de Paris,	“
Francis Bunker,	Brutus,	“
Isaiah Bunker,	Berceau,	“
Obed Bunker,	Greyhound,	“
Peleg Bunker,	Ardent,	“
Francis Baxter,	Industry,	L'Orient.
Reuben Baxter,	Baleine,	Havre.
Reub. R. Bunker,	Brutus,	“
Benjamin Clark,	Pioneer,	Dunkirk.
Benj. Clark, 2d,	Lydia,	“
George Clark,	Juno,	“
Benj. Coleman,	Janus,	“
Prince Coleman,	Resolution,	“
Alpheus Coffin,	Diana,	“
Bartlett Coffin,	Maria,	“
Edward Coffin,	Phebe,	“
Laban Coffin,	Bedford,	“
Paul Coffin,	Dauphin,	“
Richard Coffin,	Montmorenci,	“
Shubael Coffin,	Brothers,	“
Thaddeus Coffin,	Young States,	“
Jedediah Fitch,	Friends,	“
George Fitch,	Paris,	“
William Fitch,	Young States,	“
Obed Fitch,	Wm. Penn,	“
David Folger,	Favorite,	“
Elisha Folger,	Penelope,	“
Seth Folger,	Thomas,	Havre.
Timothy Folger,	Sarah,	Dieppe.
Shubael Gardner,	Ville de Paris,	Dunkirk,
Stephen Gardner,	States,	“
Tristram Gardner,	America,	“
Micajah Gardner,	Edward,	“
Amaziah Gardner,	Hebe,	“
Jethro Gardner,	Penelope,	“
James Gardner,	Victoire,	L'Orient.
Shubael Gardner, 2d,	Charles,	Havre.
Benjamin Glover,	Fame,	Dunkirk.
Benjamin Hussey,	States,	“
Barzillai Hussey,	Susa,	“
Ebenezer Hussey,	Fox,	“
Gorham Hussey,	Maria,	“
Isaiah Hussey,	Judith,	“
Peleg Hussey,	Fame,	“
Archilus Hammond,	Cyrus,	“
Charles Harrax,	Ganges,	“
Robert Inott,	Harpooner,	Havre.
Silas Jones,	Swan,	Dunkirk.
David Joy,	Boston,	Havre.
Timothy Long,	Diana,	Dunkirk.
William Long,	Swan,	“
Francis Macy,	Hebe,	“
Reuben Macy,	Brutus,	“
William Moores,	Lydia,	“
Benjamin Paddock,	Ospray,	“
Obed Paddock,	Falkland,	“
Philip Pollard,	Savage,	Havre.
Abel Rawson,	Friends,	Dunkirk.
Stephen Rawson,	Hero,	Havre.
Paul Ray,	Judith,	Dunkirk.
Matthew Starbuck,	Hudson,	“
Edward Starbuck,	Hope,	“
David Starbuck,	Harmony,	“
David Swain,	Brothers,	“
Thaddeus Swain,	Diana,	“
Uriah Swain,	Young States,	“
Valentine Swain,	Swan,	“
Valentine Swain, 2d,	Diana,	“
George Whippey,	Necker,	“
James Whippey,	South Carolina,	“
Coffin Whippey,	Canton,	“
John Worth,	Penelope,	“
Jonathan Worth,	Seine,	“
Joseph Wyer,	Young States,	“
Timothy Wyer,	Lydia,	“

FROM ENGLISH PORTS.

Jno. McIntosh Allen,	Ranger,	London.
Ebenezer Bailey,	Argo,	Halifax.
Jonathan Barnard,	Nancy,	“
Tristram Barnard,	Prince Wm. Henry,	London.
Frederick Barnard,	Rebecca,	“
Benjamin Baxter,	Liberty,	“
Francis Baxter,	Rover,	“
David Baxter,	Charles,	Milford Haven.

Abner Briggs,	Charlotte & Statira,	Halifax.
Andrew Brock,	Jefferson,	Milford Haven.
Thomas Brock,	Romulus,	Halifax.
Eber Bunker,	Pomona,	London.
Christopher Bunker,	Kent,	"
Tristram Bunker,	Scorpion,	"
Owen Bunker,	Brothers,	"
Uriel Bunker,	Maitland,	Milford Haven.
Obed Bunker,	Romulus,	Halifax.
Zacchary Bunker,	Africa,	"
Peleg Bunker,	Falkland,	"
Shadrach Cane,	Endeavor,	London.
William Chadwick,	Colony,	Halifax.
John Chadwick,	Romulus,	"
Zimri Chase,	Neptune,	"
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Tristram Clark,	Rattler,	"
Edward Clark,	Seringapatam,	"
Benjamin Clark, 2d,	Barbary,	"
Jonathan Clark,	Leviathan,	"
Obed Clark,	Betsey,	"
Joseph Clasby,	Joseph,	Halifax.
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Paul Coffin,	Lucas.	"
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Thaddeus Coffin,	Harriet,	"
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Jonathan Coffin,	Hibernia,	"
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Jesse Coffin,	Grand Sachem,	"
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Stephen Coleman,	Good Intent,	London.
David Coleman,	Ark,	Halifax.
Andrew Coleman,	Dartmouth,	"
Sol. Coleman, Jr,	Nancy,	"
Simeon Coleman,	Argo,	"
Benjamin Cook,	Prince of Wales,	London.
Obed Cottle,	Minerva,	"
Henry Delano,	Kingston,	"
Thos. Delano, Jr.,	Hercules,	"
Abisha Delano,	Sea Horse,	"
John Darling,	Manilla,	"
Geo. Dunnaman,	New Zealander.	Milford Haven.
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William Fitch,	Spy,	"
Reuben Fitch,	Recovery,	"
Jedediah Fitch,	British Tar,	"
George Fitch,	Rebecca,	"
William Folger,	William,	"
Brown Folger,	Harpooner,	"
Nathaniel Folger,	Lucas,	"
Thomas Folger,	Vulture,	"
Christopher Folger,	Perseverance,	"
Obed Folger,	Ganges,	"
Henry Folger,	Mary,	Liverpool.
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James Gwinn,	Wareham,	Milford Haven.
Charles Harrax,	British Tar,	London.
Thomas Hiller,	Lucretia,	Halifax.
Benjamin Hussey,	Greyhound,	London.
Ammiel Hussey,	Duke of Kent,	Milford Haven.
Albert Hussey,	Dartmouth,	Halifax.
Peleg Hussey,	Aurora,	"
Ransom Jones,	African,	"
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Jonathan Meader,	Indispensable,	"
William Mooers,	Maria,	"
Shubael Mooers,	Sally,	"
Andrew Myrick,	Aurora,	Milford Haven.
Paul Paddock,	Royal Bounty,	London.
Silas Paddock,	Donnahu,	Halifax.
William Paddock,	Neptune,	"
Simon Paul,	Queen Charlotte,	London.
Paul Pease,	Kent,	"
Noah Pease,	Fantail,	"
Andrew Pinkham,	Earl St. Vincent,	"
Elisha Pinkham,	Ark,	Halifax.
John Pinkham,	Speedy,	London.
Matthew Pinkham,	Romulus,	Halifax.
Sylvanus Pitts,	Georgianna,	London.
John Ramsdell,	Mercury,	"
Barney Ray,	Swift,	"
Daniel Ray,	Neptune,	"
William Ray, Jr.,	Fox,	"
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Laban Russell,	Charles,	Milford Haven.
Job Smith,	Lucas,	London.
John Sprague,	Nancy,	Halifax.
Shubael Squires,	Lucas,	London.
Edward Starbuck,	Good Intent,	"
Barnabas Swain,	Dartmouth,	Halifax.
Thaddeus Swain,	Manilla,	"
Matthew Swain,	Kingston,	London.
Andrew Swain,	Rattler,	London.
Howse Swain,	Boyne,	"
Zacchary Swain,	Spy,	"
William Swain,	Cumberland,	"
Benjamin Swift,	Brook Watson,	"
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Daniel Waterman,	Sierra Leone,	Milford Haven.
Charles West,	Rattler,	London.
Paul West,	Cyrus,	"
James Whippey,	Canton,	London.
Coffin Whippey,	Grand Sachem,	Milford Haven.
Joseph Whitteus,	Duke of Portland,	London.
Obed Worth,	Brook Watson,	"
Shubael Worth,	Fox,	"
Paul Worth,	Aurora,	Halifax.
Obed Wyer,	Atlantic,	London.
Timothy Wyer,	Nimble,	"

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 1859.

THE WHALE FISHERY PRIOR TO 1800.

We publish to-day, a statement of the names of ships owned at Nantucket between the close of the Revolutionary war, and the year 1800. We presume that very many of our read. will be surprised by the information, that so soon after an exhausting war, so large a fleet was collected in so short a period. We also give the names of those men who at some time during the same period, commanded these vessels, and also the names of the chief or managing owners. It may be that at some time while the ships named belonged to Nantucket, other persons were managing owners than those whose names we give: this is so in only a few cases. We further state the disposition made of different vessels composing the fleet, up to 1800.

To some, the annexed statement may be uninteresting. Many, however, will be pleased to see and to preserve the record of an interesting period in our local history. Men and ships are gone, with but a few exceptions. The ships have the advantage of the men. The ships may be repaired from time to time, and like the old Maria, retain their identity, with their model. But there is no water of life yet discovered, to preserve the crumbling frame of humanity from decay, nor have prudence, and sagacity been adequate to prevent the dissipation of family estates: even the names we publish, many of them, are no longer known among us. Let any one take our list, and look it over with reference to the extinction of leading families, and dispersion of their property, and he will lay it aside deeply impressed with the sense of the instability of fortune.

Should we find that the publication of these statistics is acceptable to our readers, we shall proceed to publish a list of the names of Nantucket men who commanded ships from foreign ports, prior to the war of 1812. The descendants of many of these enterprising men are with us; and they will probably be gratified to have a record of their ancestors. Others have died without families, or removed long ago to distant parts of our own land, or to foreign lands. Some have "died out," and their names are forgotten except by the few venerable survivors of the olden time, and the small number of persons who are interested in antiquarian researches.

Maria, Wm. Moores, owned by Wm. Rotch & Co. Sent to France.

Penelope, John Worth, sent to France.— Same owners.

Falkland, Obed Paddack, sold in France. Same owners.

Diana, Thaddeus Swain, sent to France. Same owners.

Canton, Coffin Whippey, *sent* to France. Same owners.

Ospray, Benjamin Paddack, sent to France. Same owners.

Swan, Silas Jones, owned by Shubael Coffin & Co. Sent to France.

Favorite, Valentine Swain, sent to France. Same owners.

America, Tristram Gardner, sent to France. Same owners.

Manilla, Bartlett Coffin, owned by R. & J. Mitchell & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Africa, Wm. Barnard, sold in Boston. Same owners.

Asia, Elijah Coffin, condemned at St. Thomas. Same owners.

Leo, William Barnard, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Ruby, Isaiah Clark, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Favorite, 2d, Obed Barnard, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Olive Branch, Obed Paddack, sold in New York. Same owners.

Brothers, Elisha Folger, Jr., continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Active, Micajah Gardner, taken by the French in 1799. Same owners.

Hudson, Uriah Bunker, continued *in* the business after 1800. Same owners.

Columbia, Obed Barnard, owned by B. Hussey & Co. Sold in Boston.

Alliance, Bartlett Coffin, 2d, continued *in* the business after 1800. Same owners.

Union, Grafton Gardner, sunk by a whale. Same owners.

Renown, Alpheus Coffin, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

William, Eben Coffin, sold in New York. Same owners.

Criterion, Reuben Joy, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Lydia, Zenas Coffin, owned by Micajah Coffin. Continued in the business after 1800.

John Jay, Wm. Clark, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Brothers, 2d, Zenas Coffin, sold to New York. Same owners.

Fox, Barzillai Folger, owned by Francis Joy & Co. Sold to Boston.

Ranger, Wm. Swain, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Boston, Nathaniel Barnard, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Atlas, Wm. Easton, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Washington, George Bunker, owned by John Elkins & Co. Sold in New York.

Juliana, Obed Aldrich, sold in New York. Same owners.

John & James, Jonathan Briggs, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Olive, Jonathan Swain, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Industry, Gilbert Folger, owned by Shubael Barnard & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Beaver, Paul Worth, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Portland, David Barnard, sold in New York. Same owners.

Warren, Robert Meader, owned by S. & O. Macy & Co. Sold in New York.

Joanna, Philip Fosdick, taken by the French in 1799. Same owners.

Harlequin, Benjamin Whippey, owned by George Hussey & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Mary Ann, Tristram Folger, continued in the business after 1800. Same owners.

Hector, Thomas Brock, owned by Cartwright, Swain & Co., sold in New York.

Cato, Valentine Swain, 2d, lost on Nantucket Shoals. Same owners.

Hero, Obed Aldrich, owned by G. Drew & Co. Sold to Newport.

Commerce, Amaziah Gardner, owned by P. Coggeshall & Co. Lost at sea.

Mercury, John Brown, owned by G. Drew & Co. Sold to New York.

Fame, Wyer Swain, owned by John Swain & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Edward, Jonathan Perry, owned by Edward Cary & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Rose, Paul Worth, sold in New York. Same owners.

Nancy, James Chase, owned by Thomas Delano & Co. Sold in New York.

Harmony, Wm. Swain, owned by Josiah Barker & Co. Sold in Rochester.

Gardner, Stephen Briggs, owned by Gideon Gardner & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

OUTFITS OF A WHALER IN 1765.—We published not long since, the requisite articles put on board ships at the present time for a whaling voyage. We now give the outfits of the schooner Lydia, in the year 1765, which vessel belonged at Edgartown, and sailed from Nantucket in command of Capt. Peter Pease. It appears that some of the vessels belonging at the Vineyard at that time, sailed from Nantucket. The case is now the reverse—most of the vessels owned at Nantucket are got in readiness for sea either at Edgartown or Hyannis. Nantucket was the pioneer in the whale fishery, and for years led in this branch of business. Voyages in those days were speedily made, whales being plenty within a short distance of the island. Vessels of small dimensions were employed in the prosecution of the enterprise, and their outfits were limited, as will be seen from the following account, which we copy from the journal of the captain of the Lydia:—

5 barrels beef,
6 barrels pork,
1200 lbs bread,
60 lbs butter,
3 small cheeses,
4 barrels flour,
12 bushels corn,
14 bushels meal,
100 pounds rice,
2 barrels rum,
55 gallons molasses,
4 pounds tea,
5 pounds tea,
15 pounds coffee,
100 pounds sugar,
50 pounds hog's fat,
5 bushels beans,
1 pound pepper,
1 speaking trumpet,
2 half-minute glasses,
1 punch bowl,
6 teacups and saucers,
1½ lbs. powder and shot,
10 pounds chalk,
1 bung borer,
3 chisels,
1 handsaw,
1 large hammer,
1 pump hammer,
500 pump nails,
2 wine glasses,
600 board nails,
1500 shingle nails,
24 deck nails,
30 spikes,
1 mallet,
1 dipsy line,
2 scrapers.
1 adze,
2 axes,
5 spades,
1 tunnel,
20 pounds candles,
314 feet boards,
230 feet boat board,
600 fathoms tow line,
130 fathoms main warp,
28 guns,
12 lances,
3 cod lines,
2 log lines,
6 gimlets,
3 skeins of twine,
6 bowls,
6 knives and forks,
5 plates,
1 platter,
2 brooms,
2 hour glasses,
1 lantern,
50 pounds spun yarn,
4 pump bolts,
3 pump brakes,
6 upper boxes,
4 lower do.,
1 pump hook,
1 draw bucket,
2 cedar pails,
1 hand pump,
2 finishing planes,
1 drawing knife,
1 candle stick,
3 skeins marline,
3 skeins mousing,
8 spare blocks,
1 cat block.
40 faths. spare rigging,
1 sounding lead,
1 boat hook,
12 sail needles,
18 yds. mending cloth,
1 pen knife,
1 jack knife.

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Hercules, Joshua Coffin, owned by James Barker & Co. Sold in Boston.

Mars, David Folger, owned by Nathaniel Russell & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Cæsar, Solomon Smith, owned by Uriah Swain & Co. Sold in New York.

Trial, Simeon Starbuck, owned by Thomas Starbuck & Co. Taken by the Spaniards.

Eagle, Jonathan Paddack, owned by Joseph Chase & Co. Lost on Bahama Banks.

Perseverance, Wm. Moores, Jr. Sold in New York. Same owners.

Federal George, Jonathan Rathbone, owned by Robert Folger & Co. Taken by the French in 1799.

Ann, Thaddeus Coffin, owned by Mark Coffin & Co. Taken by the French in 1799.

Hope, David Giles, owned by Seth Bunker & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Rebecca, Seth Folger, George Folger & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

Minerva, Seth Coffin, Jonathan Jenkins & Co. Continued in the business after 1800.

The ships named in the foregoing list as sent to France, were there employed for account of their American owners; of them, the Maria, Diana, Swan, Favorite, and Canton, returned to Nantucket; the Penelope was made a French privateer, and with the Falkland, America, and Ospray, was taken by the English, in the course of the war with Bonaparte.

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